

application in order to avoid unnecessary delay and expense to applicants and duplicative examination by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Applicants respectfully submit that the restriction requirement fails to satisfy the criteria of MPEP §803 and is improper.

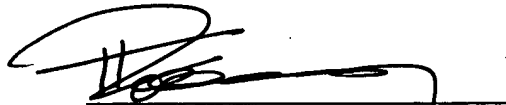
Reconsideration and withdrawal of the restriction requirement are respectfully requested.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned for under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 033975 (*Ref. No. 066265-0312017*).

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